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### 2.5.1 Description

- **A.** A CLEC must install and connect a splitter arrangement before submitting an order for a line sharing/splitting arrangement. In a line sharing arrangement, Telephone Company-provided dial tone is routed through a CLEC-provided splitter.
- 1. The splitter must be ANSI T1.413 or multiple virtual line compliant. Technical specifications described in Part E, Section 2.3.6 also apply.
- **B.** The following splitter arrangement options are available to CLECs.
- 1. Option A (Splitter in CLEC Physical Collocation Arrangement)—The CLEC may install a splitter in either a new or existing physical collocation arrangement. The CLEC will be responsible for any rearrangements or augments to the physical collocation arrangement (i.e., additional terminations to the POT bay). The CLEC must maintain the splitter.
- a. The CLEC must notify the Telephone Company when it will access line sharing/splitting through this option and provide the Telephone Company with any required information.
- 2. Option C (Splitter in Telephone Company Area)—The splitter is installed (mounted) in a relay rack between the POT bay and the main distribution frame by the Telephone Company. The Telephone Company will inventory and maintain the splitter in Telephone Company space within the same serving end office as the physical collocation arrangement. The demarcation point is at the splitter end of the cable connecting the CLEC physical collocation arrangement and the splitter. Cabling will be installed by the Telephone Company with the splitter as part of a collocation augment.
- **a.** An Option C splitter arrangement generally consists of one shelf in which splitter cards capable of supporting 96 lines are installed. Cabling must be ordered in increments of 200 pairs.
- **b.** The Telephone Company will provide a splitter inventory to the CLEC upon completion of the required splitter installation.

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## 2.6.4 Service Access Charge (SAC)

A. SAC Pot Bay Termination—Applies per termination and is used for the connection of the Telephone Company POT bay to the Telephone Company equipment location(s). It is assessed on a per termination basis and is added coincident with connection of each unbundled network element to the collocation arrangement. This rate applies when the Telephone Company provides the POT bay. For line sharing arrangements, two 2W voice grade terminations apply per line. For line splitting arrangements, two 2W voice grade terminations apply to the VLEC per line.

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#### 2.6.4 Service Access Charge (SAC)

SAC Cable and Frame Termination—Applies per termination and is used for the connection of the Telephone Company cables and frame terminations. It is assessed on a per termination basis and is added coincident with connection of each unbundled network element to the collocation arrangement. For line sharing arrangements, two 2W voice grade terminations apply per line. For line splitting (C) arrangements, two 2W voice grade terminations apply to the VLEC per line.

#### 2.6.5 Cable Placement and Splicing

- Hourly rates apply per Telephone Company technician/engineer, for pulling the cable from manhole zero to the splice point. The technician's/engineer's time is multiplied by the appropriate labor rates contained in Part M.
- Time and materials charges also apply for conduit and the cable rack associated with cable pull and splice work when the cable is extended from manhole zero to the multiplexing node.
- When contracted outside labor is provided in association with cable pull and splice work (e.g., police), the Telephone Company will bill the CLEC for all such labor charges which may be incurred.

#### 2.6.6 **Escorting**

- NRCs apply when a CLEC requests an escorted visit to its collocation space during A. the construction phase.
- NRCs will apply when the provisions of this tariff permit the Telephone Company to provide an escort.
- When the Telephone Company provides a qualified representative to accompany a CLEC in all manhole locations, time and materials charges apply.

#### 2.6.7 Conduit

Conduit fees apply from the serving wire center manhole to the collocated customers cage for the conduit and the conduit space. Charges apply monthly, per foot/per innerduct.

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#### 2.6.8 Prorating of Special Construction Charges

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The CLEC will be responsible for any nonrecurring costs incurred by the Telephone Company for special construction. Such costs will be calculated on a time and materials basis and passed through dollar-for-dollar to the CLEC. When appropriate, special construction charges will be prorated to CLECs based upon the relationship of their assigned square footage to the total assignable square feet made available through the special construction project.

#### 2.6.9 **Taxes**

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The CLEC is responsible to reimburse the Telephone Company for any taxes that are levied except for income taxes on the Telephone Company resulting from transactions associated with physical collocation.

#### 2.6.10 Site Survey/Report Fee

An NRC applies per request, per central office. If a CLEC submits an application for physical collocation within thirty days of receipt of the site survey/report, 50% of this fee will be applied to the CLEC's application fee.

#### 2.6.11 **Security Access Cards**

An NRC applies per five cards.

#### 2.6.12 **Splitter Arrangements**

- **Augment NRCs**—When a splitter arrangement is to be installed as part of an existing physical collocation arrangement, the Augment-Rearrangement of Equipment Application Fee NRC and Augment-Rearrangement of Equipment Engineering and Implementation NRC contained in Part E, Sections 3.5.2A3 and 3.5.3C will apply.
- Splitter Installation NRC—Applies, per shelf, for Telephone Company engineering and installation of the CLEC-provided splitter.
- **Splitter Support**—Monthly rate applies, per shelf, for Option C splitter arrangements only.
- Administration and Support of Splitter—Monthly rate applies, per shelf for Option A splitter arrangements.
- Maintenance, Administration and Support of Splitter—Monthly rate applies, per shelf for Option C splitter arrangements.

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## 2.6.13 Miscellaneous Collocation Power Service Charge

A. Whenever the Telephone Company is required to perform work on a collocation arrangement as a result of a CLEC's order for a reduction in power requirements (e.g., change in fuse size), the Telephone Company will assess an NRC. The NRC applies for the first half hour (or fraction thereof) and each additional quarter hour (or fraction thereof) per technician, per occurrence. The NRC is the same as that specified for escort under Part M, Section 5.2.6 of this tariff. If a CLEC orders a power reduction prior to June 5, 2001, where only a change in the fuse size is necessary, the Telephone Company will waive this NRC. This rate will also apply when the Telephone Company performs power inspections revealing a violation.

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